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" 6 " 4 " " "
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Hongkong, November 26, 1878.

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CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA, AND CHINA.

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For Sale.

FOR SALE.

FINE NEW FIGS, direct from Smyrna. Brazil and Barcelona NUTS. LETT'S DIARIES for 1879. Central and Pin Fire CARTRIDGE CASES.

CLOTH and FELT GUN-WADS. AMERICAN PARLOUR and COOKING STOVES.

COAL SCUTTLES, new designs. FENDERS and FIRE IRONS. COCOA MATTING.

TAPESTRY CARPET. DOOR MATS. California LAMBSWOOL BLANKETS.

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TABLE LINEN. Fine TURKISH TOWELS. LINEN SHEETING. PILLOW LINEN.

GREEN and MARONE REP. FLANNEL SHIRTINGS. FANCY FLANNEL for Gents' Suits.

NAVY BLUE SERGE. CLOTH TROWER LENGTHS, Assorted Patterns.

ALBUMS, in great variety. CRUMB BRUSHES and TRAYS. CHUBB'S CASH and DEED BOXES.

VEYRON'S AUTOMATIC COFFEE MACHINES. COFFEE ROASTERS. TREMBLING CALL BELLS.

IMPERIAL TRACING CLOTH. DESSERT, DINNER and BREAK-FAST SERVICES.

TABLE GLASSWARE, of every Description. FOLDING CHAIRS.

CIGARS, CIGARETTES. KELLY'S FAMOUS CUT TOBACCO. HOUSEHOLD STORES, of every Description.

CLARET in Casks. MALT. HOPS. CAUSTIC SODA, CANADIAN POTASH.

CARBOLIC ACID. CHLORIDE OF LIME, &c., &c., &c.

LAMBERT, ATKINSON & CO.
Hongkong, November 16, 1878.

CHRISTMAS! CHRISTMAS!!!
CHRISTMAS!!!

ROSE & Co. have received, ex *Argyle*, *Ferona*, and *French* and *English* MANS.

A WELL-SELECTED STOCK, comprising—
LADIES' TRIMMED and UNTRIMMED FRENCH BONNETS and HATS.

FRENCH FLOWERS & FEATHERS. FANCY TIES and SCARFS. PLAIN and FANCY LINEN and LACE SETS.

NEW RIBBONS and LACES. SUNSHADES in all the Newest Patterns.

FRENCH MANTLES and SHAWLS. DRESS MATERIALS in all the Leading Shades, with VELVETTES and TRIMMINGS to match.

BLACK and COLOURED SILKS, New Shades. CHILDREN'S FANCY WOOL WRAPS, COSTUMES, and EMBROIDERED PEPLUSES, WOOL GAITERS, HOSIERY, &c.

LADIES' and CHILDREN'S BOOTS and SHOES. GENTLEMEN'S SHIRTS, COLLARS, HOSIERY, SCARFS and TIES, HANDKERCHIEFS, TRAVELLING RUGS, &c.

BED and TABLE LINEN. TAPESTRY and CRETONNE HANGINGS, in all the New Shades and Designs. TABLE CLOTHS and COVERS, to match.

EIDER DOWN QUILTS. A Good Selection of MECHANICAL and other TOYS and GAMES, including ROLLING and VELOCIPED HORSES.

CHILDREN'S FRENCH PERAMBULATORS. DOLLS' FRENCH PERAMBULATORS. LAWN TENNIS & CROQUET SETS. TENNIS MARKERS and BALLS.

The CLEOPATRA, ROULETTE, MAGIC FISH, &c., &c. BONBON and CRACKERS, in Great Variety.

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS and NEW YEARS' GIFTS for LADIES and GENTLEMEN, in the Latest Novelties and Inventions.

Hongkong, December 11, 1878. ja1

SAM HING
HAS JUST RECEIVED PER "CYTHAREE," AND HAS FOR SALE—

NEW PATTERNS in CARPETS. WINDOW CURTAINS of all kinds. TABLE CLOTHS & TABLE NAPKINS.

HATS in every STYLE. DRESS BOOTS, and SHOES.

88 and 90, Queen's Road Central.
Hongkong, December 11, 1878. ja1

For Sale.

CHRISTMAS STORES—AND—PRESENTS.

PLUM PUDDINGS. CHRISTMAS CAKES. MINCEMEAT. SMYRNA FIGS. ELVAS PLUMS. CRYSTALLISED FRUITS. DRAGEES.

French and English BONBONS. CHOCOLATE for DESSERT. ASSORTED COSAQUES. TELEPHONE CRACKERS. CONFERENCE CRACKERS. AQUARIUM CRACKERS.

French and English TOYS. MECHANICAL TOYS. DOLLS, in latest Parisian Costumes. SWIMMING DOLLS.

DOLLS' PORTMANTEAUX. DANCING and WALKING DOLLS. PUNCH and JUDY SHOW. ROCKING HORSES.

MUSICAL BOXES. TEA and DINNER SETS. NOAH'S ARKS. WHEELBARROWS.

GUNS and SWORDS. SPADES and PAIRS. BARREL ORGANS. FRENCH ALBUMS.

LADIES' DRESSING CASES. GLOVE and HANDKERCHIEF BOXES. WORK BASKETS and BOXES. LADIES' COMPANIONS. PHOTOGRAPH FRAMES.

CARD RECEIVERS. STATUETTES. Bohemian FLOWER VASES. PHAROAH WRITING CABINETS.

SCENT CASES in Velvet and Crystal. RUSSIA POCKET BOOKS. MOROCCO CIGAR CASES.

Electro-Plated SCISSORS in Cases. BIBLES. PAINT BOXES, Fitted.

TOILET BOTTLES and VASES. ANEROIDS. CROCODILE SCENT CASES. CIGAR BOXES.

WRITING DESKS. MEERSCHAUM PIPES. LATEST DESIGNS in Electro-Plated Ware.

MARK TWAIN'S SCRAP BOOKS. PARTAGA'S HAVANA CIGARS, &c., &c., &c.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.
Hongkong, November 20, 1878.

Intimations.

NOTICE.

G. FALCONER & Co. beg to announce that, during DECEMBER and JANUARY Next, they will offer their Large and Magnificent Stock of JEWELLERY, WATCHES, CLOCKS, SILVER and ELECTRO-PLATE, &c., &c., Considerably under the Usual Prices.

Shortly expected from England, an Elegant Assortment of SILVER CUPS, suitable for REGATTA or RACE MEETINGS.
Hongkong, November 26, 1878. fel

A FANCY BAZAAR in aid of the FRENCH ORPHANAGE, will be held in ST. ANDREW'S HALL, CITY HALL, on SATURDAY, the 14th Instant, from 3 to 6.30 p.m.
By kind permission of Colonel JAGO and the Officers, the Band of H. M. 74th Highlanders will play during the Afternoon.
Hongkong, December 12, 1878. del4

OFFICE OF THE CHINESE INSURANCE CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given, that in consequence of Messrs POLYPHANT & Co. having suspended PAYMENT, the Board of Directors of the above Company, at a SPECIAL MEETING held at the Head Office to-day, the 9th Instant, Appointed Mr J. BRADLEE SMITH as General Agent, pro tem, by whom all Business of the said Company will be transacted.

To Confirm the Action of the Board of Directors with Reference to the Appointment of Mr J. BRADLEE SMITH as General Agent of the Company, an Extraordinary MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Head Office of the Company, on MONDAY, the 18th January, 1879, at 3 o'clock in the Afternoon, when an audited Statement of the Affairs of the Company will be submitted.
By Order of the Board,
WM. REINERS, Chairman.
Hongkong, December 9, 1878. ja13

NOTICE.

AS MAN WO CHEUNG has certain business transactions with HO KON SHUN, through the hands of SHUK TONG CHU, and as all the accounts arising out of these transactions, together with all money matters between them, were cleared up and settled on the 3rd day of June of this year, MAN WO CHEUNG now begs to give notice that, should any dispute or difficulty arise between SHUK TONG CHU and HO KON SHUN, he (MAN WO CHEUNG) has nothing whatever to do with such disputes.
MAN WO CHEUNG,
No. 40, Wing Lok Street.
Hongkong, December 13, 1878. del9

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions from Messrs BIRLEY & Co. to sell by Public Auction, by Order of the Mortgagees, on or about the 20th JANUARY, 1879, the 1st Class

IRON SCREW STEAMSHIP

"A M E R I C A."

of 563 Tons Net Register, Built in 1873 by Messrs J. and R. SWAN, of Dumbarton, and Engine by Messrs. Ton and McGregor, of Glasgow, with Compound Vertical Direct-Acting Surface-Condensing Engines of 90 Horse-Power (nominal), working up to 450 H.P. effectual; Consumption of Coal (Cardiff), about 8 Tons; Speed, about 8 Knots; Capacity of Bunkers, 180 Tons; Diameter of Cylinders, 25 and 48 inches; Boiler Multitubular; Length 210 feet 3 in.; Breadth, extreme, 26 feet 7 in.; Depth of Hold, Tonnage Deck to Ceiling, 20 feet 9½ in.; Spar Deck, Deck to Deck, 6 feet 7 in.; Draft, Light, 9 feet; loaded, 17 feet; D. W. Capacity, including Bunkers, 1,100 Tons, or 16,500 Pounds exclusive of Bunkers; Class, Lloyds 90 A1; Water Ballast; Tween Decks laid; 3 Steam Winches, and HARFIELD'S Patent Windlass; Saloon amidships for 10 Cabin Passengers and Cabin aft, for 3. Boilers retubed in Hongkong in June, and the Hull and Machinery now in first-class order.
Spare Engine Gear and Coal to be SOLD SEPARATELY.
For further Particulars, apply to Messrs. BIRLEY & Co., or the AUCTIONEERS, where Inventory and Plan of the Vessel can be seen.
TERMS OF SALE.—Half Cash on fall of the hammer. The Balance on completion of Transfer, expenses of which are to be borne by the Purchaser. The Ship and Inventory, with all faults and errors of description, to be at the Purchaser's risk at fall of the hammer.

HUGHES & LEGGE,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, November 13, 1878. ja20

Shipping.

Steamers.

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

The Company's Steamship "SINDE" Commandant MONGE, will be despatched for SHANGHAI on SATURDAY, the 14th Instant, at 7 a.m.

L. HENNEQUIN,
Actg. Agent.
Hongkong, December 12, 1878.

FOR MANILA.
The Steamship "EMERALDA," Capt. CULLEN, will be despatched for the above Port on SATURDAY, the 14th Instant, at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to **RUSSELL & Co.**
Hongkong, December 11, 1878. del4

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCOW.
The Steamship "NAMO," Capt. WESTOBY, will be despatched for the above Ports on SUNDAY, the 15th Instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to **DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & Co.**
Hongkong, December 12, 1878. del5

FOR HOIHOW AND HAIPHONG.
The Steamship "ATLANTA," Captain H. F. PERREZ, will be despatched for the above Ports on SUNDAY, the 15th Instant, instead of as previously notified.

For Freight or Passage, apply to **MEYER & Co.**
Hongkong, December 11, 1878. del5

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALOUTTA.
The Steamer "ARRATON APOAR," Captain A. B. MACFARLANE, will be despatched for the above Ports on TUESDAY, the 17th Instant, at 3 o'clock p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to **DAVID SASSON, SONS & Co., Agents.**
Hongkong, December 9, 1878. del7

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALOUTTA.
The Steamship "MORAY," Captain BUTCHER, will be despatched for the above Ports on TUESDAY, the 17th Instant, at 8 o'clock p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to **JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.**
Hongkong, December 9, 1878. del7

Shipping.

Steamers.

FOR LONDON,
CALLING AT SINGAPORE & COLOMBO.
The Steamship "GLENHARN," Captain GASSON, expected here on the 14th Instant, will have quick despatch as above.

For Freight or Passage, apply to **JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.**
Hongkong, December 6, 1878.

Sailing Vessels.

FOR MELBOURNE & DUNEDIN (N.Z.)
The British Bark "HOTSPUR," Capt. SHAW, will have a quick despatch for the above Ports.

For Freight, apply to **ROZARIO & Co.**
Hongkong, November 11, 1878.

FOR LONDON.
The 3/4 L. L. 1. Swedish Bark "ALMA," Captain O. OHLSSON, will be despatched as above on or before the 10th January, 1879.

For Freight, apply to **MEYER & Co.**
Hongkong, December 12, 1878.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.
The 4 1/2 British Ship "MIN-Y-DON," Captain LESLIE, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to **RUSSELL & Co.**
Hongkong, November 23, 1878.

FOR NEW YORK.
The 4 1/2 British Bark "MONETA," Capt. BRISSET, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to **RUSSELL & Co.**
Hongkong, November 26, 1878. del6

FOR NEW YORK.
The 4 1/2 American Bark "AMY TURNER," Captain NEWELL, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to **RUSSELL & Co.**
Hongkong, November 26, 1878. del6

FOR NEW YORK.
The American Ship "FLEETWING," GUEST, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to **VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.**
Hongkong, December 3, 1878.

FOR LONDON.
The 4 1/2 British Bark "MERCURY," D. THOMAS, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to **VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.**
Hongkong, December 3, 1878.

FOR NEW YORK.
The 4 1/2 American Ship "MELROSE," PLUMMER, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to **VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.**
Hongkong, December 2, 1878.

FOR LONDON.
The 4 1/2 British Bark "MERCURY," D. THOMAS, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to **VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.**
Hongkong, December 3, 1878.

FOR NEW YORK.
The 4 1/2 American Ship "MELROSE," PLUMMER, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to **VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.**
Hongkong, December 2, 1878.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.
The 4 1/2 German Bark "NIAGARA," PAUSSEN, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to **VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.**
Hongkong, November 2, 1878.

FOR HAMBURG.
The 3/4 L. L. American Bark "DIRIGO," STABLES, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to **VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.**
Hongkong, July 30, 1878.

Entertainment.

GARRISON THEATRE.
BY kind permission of His Excellency the Major General Commanding.
PROFESSOR MARCO VITZ
IN NEW EXPERIMENTS AT THE
GARRISON THEATRE,
ON
SATURDAY,
the 14th Instant.

Doors Open at 8.30, and Begin at 9 o'clock.

Tickets to be had at the Doors of this Theatre.

ADMISSION:

Reserved Seats, \$1.00
Second Class, 50
Back Seats, 25
Hongkong, December 11, 1878. del5

Notices to Consignees.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE S. S. Arratoon *Apur*, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Under- signed for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.
Cargo impeding the discharge will be at once landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, December 7, 1878. del4

FROM LONDON AND SINGAPORE.

THE S. S. Glenlyon having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods— with the exception of Opium—are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Undersigned, whence and/or from the Wharves or Boats delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 3 p.m., To-day.

Cargo remaining undelivered after the 18th Instant will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
Hongkong, December 11, 1878. del18

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

S. S. SINDH AND DJEMNAH.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per *S. S. Euphrate*, from London, in connection with the above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk at the Company's Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on, unless intimation is received from the Consignees, before To-morrow, the 13th Inst., at 10 a.m., requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned.

Goods remaining unclaimed after Thursday, the 19th Instant, at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

L. HENNEQUIN,
Ag't. Agent.
Hongkong, December 12, 1878.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

CONSIGNEES of the following Cargo are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and take immediate delivery. This Cargo has been landed and stored at their risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

L. HENNEQUIN,
Ag't. Agent.
Ex "Pet Ho."

N.M.K. (in diamond) 54/5 Imp. Aldridge V.S.O. Salmon & Co., from London, 2 cases Millinery.

K.J. (in diamond) 10, Order, 1 case Haber-LSC dachery, from London.

J.B.S. 12, Order, 1 case Flannel, from London.

S.J.C. 256, Order, 1 case Merino, from London.

Hongkong, December 5, 1878.

Intimations.

DENTAL NOTICE.

DR. ROGERS has Returned and is Now Ready to RECEIVE PATIENTS at No. 7, ARBUTHNOT ROAD.

Hongkong, November 23, 1878.

LOST.

LAST NIGHT, on the QUEEN'S ROAD, or in the CITY HALL, a CINGALESE GOLD LOCKET, containing a Photograph. The Finder will please communicate with the Office of this Paper, when a Reward will be given if necessary.

Hongkong, November 30, 1878.

NOTICE.

MR. MCNULTY, formerly of the "BRISBANE HOTEL," begs to announce that he has taken the "COMMERCIAL INN," 279, Queen's Road Central, and trusts that his Friends and the Public will again favour him with their support.

Hongkong, December 7, 1878. del4

NOTICE.

FROM the 1st of OCTOBER, DR. EASTLAKE will receive his PATIENTS at his new DENTAL ROOMS, No. 50, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, over the MEDICAL HALL.

Hongkong, September 24, 1878.

Intimations.

CONSULADO DE ESPAÑA EN HONGKONG.

SE SAO & Publica Licitacion la LIMPIEZA, PINTURA DE FONDOS y algunas pequeñas REPARACIONES que son necesarias en el Transporte de Guerra Español "Patioño." Los que deseen hacer Proposiciones pueden enterarse del Pliego de Condiciones que se halla en este Consulado, en cuyo local tendra lugar la Subasta el LUNES, 16 del Corriente, a las 12 del dia.

Hongkong, 11 de Diciembre de 1878.
El Consul.
A. MENCARINI.

NOTICE.

FOUNDRY AND DOCK,
FOR SALE OR TO BE LET.

TENDERS will be Received until the 1st JANUARY, 1879, for the absolute PURCHASE or LEASE for One, Two or Three Years of all that VALUABLE PROPERTY known as the CHINA MERCHANTS STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S FOUNDRY, situated at Hongkow, Shanghai, in the Empire of China, comprising several Rows of GODOWNS and DWELLING HOUSES for the Staff, and several Rows of WORKSHOPS, with all TOOLS, &c., complete, and Covering an Area of about 24 acres. The Foundry commands a fine River Frontage of about 300 feet Long, and is the most complete for the Building and Repairing of Ships in China.

Applicants are requested to state the Terms upon which they will take the above Property.

SIMILAR TENDERS will be Received until the 1st JANUARY, 1879, for the COMPANY'S DOCK, situated at Pootung, Shanghai, in the Empire of China, which Dock measures 336 feet by 78 feet, Dock Entrance 72 feet, River Frontage about 1,200 feet, and Covering an Area of about 4 English acres, with Two DWELLING HOUSES, a BLACKSMITH SHOP and CARPENTER'S SHED attached.

In case of a Sale, one half of the Purchase Money can remain on mortgage of the Property assigned, and in the case of a Lease, substantial security must be given for the due fulfilment of the same by the Lessee. The Company does not bind itself to accept the highest or any Tender.

For further Particulars, apply to
CHINA MERCHANTS STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY,
Hankow Road, SHANGHAI.

December 5, 1878. del2

Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vessels, during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:

FORNATE, British ship, Capt. Geo. B. Taylor.—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.

COMMISSARY, British ship, Captain A. Morison.—Meyer & Co.

FANNY, French barque, Captain E. M. Gouyo.—Landstein & Co.

NAPIER, British barque, Capt. W. L. Bryar.—Messageries Maritimes.

FIFTH OF FORTH, British barque, Capt. J. Cowper.—Olyphant & Co.

EARL OF DEVON, British barque, Captain James Beer.—Captain.

TAIWAN, German barque, Captain C. Jensen.—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.

CHRAIG AND, British barque, Capt. W. S. Hawkins.—Olyphant & Co.

HAMBURG, German barque, Captain H. von Kroge.—Edward Schellhass & Co.

ANNIE S. HALL, American barque, Capt. Chas. H. Nelson.—Captain.

CLIVE, British steamer, Captain N. Prowse.—Borneo Company, Limited.

S. R. BEARDE, American barque, Capt. A. E. Oakes.—Russell & Co.

PHAEON, British barque, Captain H. Schoel.—Wieser & Co.

CINGALPE, British barque, Captain John Le Couter.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

To-day's Advertisements.

HONGKONG HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.

THE ANNUAL EXHIBITION of the SOCIETY will take place about the middle of FEBRUARY next.

The Days of Exhibition will be advertised at an early date.

W. M. B. ARTHUR,
Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, December 13, 1878.

FOR YOKOHAMA & HIOGO.

The British Steamer "BURMESE" shortly expected from Singapore, will have quick despatch as above.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
MELOCHERS & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, December 13, 1878. del20

FOR YOKOHAMA & HIOGO.

The Steamship "GLENGLYLE," Captain QUARRY, due here on the 18th Instant, will have immediate despatch as above.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, December 13, 1878. del20

FOR MANILA VIA AMOY.

The Spanish Steamer "EMITY," BLANCO, Master, shortly expected, will have immediate despatch as above.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
REMEDIOS & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, December 13, 1878.

FOR HAMBURG.

The 3/3 L. 1. 1. German Bark "CONDOR," STEVENS, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to
VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.,
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Hongkong, December 13, 1878.

To-day's Advertisements.

THEATRE ROYAL, CITY HALL, HONGKONG.

SATURDAY EVENING,
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Will be Reproduced for the Last Time this Season.

CHAS. LECOCQ'S RYER POPULAR COMIC OPERA

"LA FILLE DE MADAME ANGOT,"
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CAST OF CHARACTERS:

CLAIRETTE, Miss CLARA STANLEY.

Ange Pitou, Mr. F. VERNON.

Pomponnet, Mr. J. ROLLINS.

Larivaudiere, Mr. F. HAGEMAN.

Loucheard, Mr. H. V. FRANKLIN.

Agent of Police, Mr. H. PHILLIPS.

Frenitz, Mr. F. HAGEMAN.

(His Great Part.)

Officer, Mr. JAMES.

Cadet, Mr. GLADSTONE.

Amarante, Miss B. DRAEGER.

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Pit ONE DOLLAR.

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Hongkong, December 13, 1878. del18

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Hongkong, December 13, 1878.

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Charters Effected.

The following settlements have been effected since last mail:—

British barque Mercury, 361, to London, private.

American ship Fleetwing, 827, to New York, private.

British barque Earl of Devon, 441, to Hongkong, (timber) 34,000 in full.

German barque Hamburg, 348, Bangkok to Foochow (timber) private.

German barque Hana, 493, to Tournon and back, private.

German 3-m. schooner Dolphin, 233, to Quinhon and back, \$1,150 in full, 30 lay days.

British barque Hylton Castle, 848, Fuyuen, (Cochin China) to Hongkong, \$1,500 in full.

Danish steamer Hakon Adolsten, 1,007, to Singapore and Penang, \$3,300 in full.

German barque Varuna, 406, left for Rangoon via Singapore, under orders from home.

British barque Emily Chaplin, 138, left for Akyah under order from home.

British barque Craig Ard, 571, proceeds to Burmah Rice Ports, under orders from home.

British barque Hilda, 808, proceeds to Nagasaki to load for Hakodade.

British barque Presto, 834, left for Chefoo, seeking.

British barque Aleppo, 655, left for Chefoo, seeking.

British barque Onba, 320, left for Chefoo, seeking.

German barque Wodan, 475, cleared for Guam, seeking.

British barque Orion, 351, cleared for Bangkok, seeking.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Dec. 13, *Lee Yuen*, Chinese steamer, from Canton.

Dec. 13, *Agan*, British steamer, 343, O. E. Stewart, Kobe Dec. 3, General.—LINSTEAD & Co.

DEPARTURES.

Dec. 13, *Quarta*, for Saigon.

13, *Christian*, for Singapore.

13, *Glenlyon*, for Shanghai.

13, *Amoy*, for Shanghai.

CLEARED.

Hermine, for Quinhon.

Melbrek, for Manila.

Hida, for Nagasaki.

Franklin, for Saigon.

Chocola, for Honolulu.

Mario Louise, for Guam.

PASSENGERS.

Per Agan, from Kobe, 16 Chinese.

Per Quarta, for Saigon, 250 Chinese.

Per Amoy, for Shanghai, 3 Cabin.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer *Agan* reports: Left Kobe 3rd Dec., had light southerly winds to within 200 miles of Formosa, when we experienced a strong N.E. monsoon which lasted 24 hours, thence to port light winds and variable with hazy weather.

CARGO.

Per S. S. Anadyr, for Continent, 2,244 bales Silk, 183 bales Waste Silk, 17 cases Silk, 231 bales Cocoons, 389 pkgs. Tea, and 888 pkgs. Sundries; for London, 1,129 bales and 4 cases Silk, 1,431 b-cases and 18,863 boxes Tea, 327 pkgs. Sundries, 5 cases Gold (Tls. 85,000), and 45 cases Treasure (\$199,000).

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even an adverse wind may delay them indefinitely. Thus a merchant who is importing goods has to put on the side of Pakhoi a clear gain of 25 days of time and almost absolute security in the safe carriage of his goods, against a cheaper but insecure route.

Appended to the report is Mr. Piry's map of Kwangtung and that portion of the province of Kwangtung adjacent to Pakhoi. The various trade routes are traced with blue lines, and a reference to the map places them very distinctly before the reader. We endorse the hope, with which the Commissioner concludes his report, that foreign commerce will grow at Pakhoi far beyond its present limits, considerable as these already are, as soon as steamers begin to do the carrying now done by junk. One great drawback to the trade of the port hitherto, to which the Commissioner makes no reference, has been, we imagine, the difficulty, or rather the impossibility, of obtaining transit passes, the issue of which is provided for by Treaty.

REUTERS' TELEGRAMS.

[SUPPLIED TO THE "CHINA MAIL."] (Per E. E. A. & C. Telegraph Co.'s Line.) BOMBAY, 11th Dec., 1878.

The Ameer has addressed a conciliatory reply to the Ultimatum of the British Government, which it is believed was written after the defeat at Ali Masjid.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE O. & S. S. *Gaelic*, with mails from San Francisco to Nov. 17th, will sail from Yokohama for this port at daylight to-morrow.

Mr. Marco-Vics will give another performance to-morrow evening at the Garrison Theatre, when the "Professor" will explain several of his tricks, as well as the Cabinet mystery.

THE cases at the Police Court to-day were mostly uninteresting, consisting chiefly of breaches of the light and pass ordinance, hawking without license, and such minor offences.

A RACE for Open Ships' Boats will take place to-morrow, starting at 1 p.m., entrance fee \$5.00; course from Coalshed at Kowloon around Green, Kow-choy, and Stone-cutter's Islands, leaving all on starboard side, finishing at stern of *Victor Emanuel*. Post entries.

It will be observed that the Fancy Bazaar in aid of the French Orphanage will be held to-morrow afternoon in St. Andrew's Hall, on which occasion the Band of the 74th Highlanders will play, by kind permission of Colonel Jago and the Officers. The Band will perform from 2 till 6 p.m. The following is the programme:

Overture, *La Diable*, Anber. Valse, *Tout a Vous*, Waldteufel. Selection, *Martha*, Flotow. Valse, *Shepherd's Dance*, D'Albert. *Reminiscences of Balfe*, Do. *Spanish Dance*, Do. *Galop*, *Federally*, Faust. Mr. J. BUCHANAN, Bandmaster.

PASSENGERS BOOKED OUTWARDS.

Per Messageries Maritimes steamer *Irakady*, from Marseilles, Nov. 17.—To Yokohama: Mr. Van der Pot. To Shanghai: Mr. and Mrs. Bouchard, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Morrison, Miss Morrison, Mr. Faure, Mr. J. Nagoka, Mr. Ralph, and Mr. Beattie. To Hongkong: Mr. Herbert F. 1 ent.

Per Messageries Maritimes steamer from Marseilles, Dec. 1.—To Yokohama: Mr. Souharth. To Shanghai: Mr. Braess, Mr. Guiercy, Mr. Bray, Mr. and Mrs. Gange, and three Societes de Charite. To Hongkong: Mr. John and Lady male, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Johnson, and Mr. Subm.

Per P. & O. steamer *Nepaul*, from Southampton, Oct. 31.—To Hongkong: Capt. Cairns, Mr. F. T. P. Foster, Sub-lieut. J. F. Stuart. To Shanghai: Rev. H. C. Desne, Mr. C. E. Duffield. To Yokohama: Mr. Rev. W. and Mrs. Anderson. From Suva to Yokohama: Lord Clarence Paget, Mr. E. J. Reed, M.P., Mr. E. Reed, Jun.

It will be seen from an advertisement in another column that the Royal English Opera Company will produce "La Fille de Madame Angot" at the City Hall Theatre to-morrow evening. Mr. Vernon's benefit being postponed. Miss Stanley will take the part of "Clairette." Since their last performance the Company have engaged two new artists—Mr. Franklin (Mr. Vernon's brother), who arrived from Australia in the *Somerset*, and Mr. Hageman, who has before played in the Company with considerable success, especially as "Laurandiere" in "La Fille de Madame Angot." Miss Agnes Draeger will, we understand, preside at the piano. Considering that this will probably be the last performance of the Company, with the exception of Mr. Vernon's benefit, it is to be hoped the Company will be rewarded by a full house. The tickets are again sold by Messrs Lane, Crawford & Co.

(London & China Express, Nov. 1st.)

Latest Mail advices.—Yokohama (via San Francisco) Sept. 21, Shanghai Sept. 8, Foochow Sept. 6, Hongkong Sept. 14. The French mail, with the advices dated as above, from China and the Straits Settlements, was delivered, via Marseilles, on the 23rd ult. The heavy portion of the previous mail reached Southampton, per P. & O.

Company's steamer *Kashgar*, on the 28th ult. The advices from Japan, via San Francisco, were received on the 29th ult. The next inward P. & O. mail, bringing dates Yokohama 11th, Shanghai 15th, Hongkong 21st, Singapore 29th Sept., left Brindisi on the 30th ult., and will reach London on the 2nd inst, two days early. The following French mail, with a week's later dates, left Suez on the 26th ult., six days early.

The gunboat *Thistle*, from China, homeward bound, arrived at Malta on the 25th ult.

Four Chinese of California have brought actions in the Circuit Court against the Sheriff for cutting off their pigtails during the recent incarceration of Chinamen in the criminal jail. The damages are laid at \$10,000. No more tails are to be cut off till the cases are decided.

The *Curlew*, 3, double-screw gun-vessel, Com. William McF. Castle, has arrived from the China Station. The *Curlew* was originally commissioned at Sheerness, March 28, 1871; left England on April 27, 1871; and was recommissioned at Hongkong, Dec. 1, 1874. She proceeds to Sheerness to be paid off.

The Deutsche Dampschiffs Rhederei (German Steamship Company) has met with a disaster; the steamer *Hesperia*, on her voyage from China to London, was telegraphed yesterday as having gone into dock at Port Said with damage, and private telegrams say that she has broken her main shaft, which it will be found difficult to replace there. The *Hesperia* had been advertised to sail again from here in November, and will now have to be replaced by another vessel.

A telegram from St. Petersburg states that the Russian newspapers are raising the question of rectifying the Russo-Chinese frontier. The late purveyor of supplies for the Chinese army has left Kuldja for St. Petersburg, the bearer, it is said, of projects relative to very important undertakings.

The appointments of Mr. Richard Temple Rennie, who has for some years been connected with the Bar at Shanghai, as Judge of the Supreme Court at Yokohama, and of Mr. Nicholas J. Hannan as Crown Advocate at Shanghai, will, we understand, be announced shortly.

We understand that Baron Overbeek has supplied the Foreign Office with the information required in reference to the Borneo concession, and the question of recognition by the British Government is now engaging the attention of the law officers of the Crown.

The *Thorne* has been launched by Mr. Robert Thomson, jun., Southwick, Sunderland. She is a handsomely modelled iron sailing barque, built to the order of Messrs. Dixon, Irwin and Co., of Liverpool. The following are her principal dimensions:—Length, 184 feet; breadth, 33 feet; depth of hold, 19 feet; 600 tons register. She has been built under special survey for the 100 A1 at Lloyd's. She has a raised quarter deck and monkey forecabin; cabin aft, fitted up in first-class style; and large iron house amidships for the accommodation of crew. The vessel is fitted up with all the latest improvements, and is intended for the China trade.

Messrs. Palmer's Shipbuilding and Iron Company have launched from their yard at Jarrow a screw steamer of 2,300 tons. This vessel has been specially superintended during construction by Capt. Bolt, North Shields. Her engines, of about 150-horse power nominal, are from the same builders, and the vessel receives the highest class at Lloyd's both for hull and machinery. She has been specially built for long-voyage trades, but is also suitable for the Black Sea, Baltic, or Atlantic trades. She is to the order of Messrs. Lindsay, Gracie, and Co., Newcastle-on-Tyne, and was named the *Glenbertie*.

The *Horace* was launched from the iron shipbuilding yard of Messrs. John Redhead and Co., of South Shields, on the 24th ult. She is a screw-steamer of the following dimensions:—Length 257 feet, breadth 34 feet, and depth 19 feet. The vessel is fitted with all the latest improvements, including steam winches, water ballast tanks, and iron decks fore and aft. She has been built very strongly, and will be classed 100 A1 at Lloyd's. The carrying capacity of the vessel is 2,250 tons. The *Horace* has been built to the order of Messrs. Groves, Maclean, and Co., West Hartlepool. The *Star*, an iron screw steamer, was launched on the 26th ult., by Messrs. Richardson, Duck, and Co., South Stockton. She has been built to the order of Messrs. J. J. Munro and Co., of London, and is intended for the East Indian and China trades. Length over all 266 feet, 6 inches; length between perpendiculars 258 feet, extreme breadth 34 feet, depth in hold 23 feet 6 inches, and depth moulded 24 feet 6 inches; tonnage, o.n., 1,461 tons; tonnage gross, n.m., 1,676. She classed 100 A1 at Lloyd's.

INQUESTS.

The adjourned inquest on the body of Private Reid of the 74th Highlanders, who was found dead near the Commissariat Wharf on the night of the 9th instant, was resumed to-day before the Coroner (O. V. Creagh, Esquire), and the following jury, Messrs W. Manson, E. Melbye, and L. F. Barretto.

Dr. Campbell, recalled, stated that he had made a post-mortem examination of the body, and found a large quantity of blood at the back of the brain. Three of the wounds upon the forehead appeared to have been inflicted during life; there was strong presumptive evidence of that. The wound over the right temple was a post-mortem wound. The only evidence of drowning was a small quantity of bloody water and frothy fluid contained in the lungs. Witnesses did not consider that the evidence of death from drowning was at all firmly established. All the other organs were healthy. He did not think the injuries could have been caused by a fall from the pier, but they had the appearance of having been caused by some blunt instrument, they may have been caused by a stone. Witnesses could not positively state that death was not caused by drowning. If a man fell over the pier-head foremost into the stony bottom the concussion would have accounted for some of the injuries.

By Inspector Batson.—There was a night breeze on the left knee.

By an Officer.—There was not above 5 ounces of fluid in the stomach, which I should imagine was best; but there was no sign of spirituous liquor. There was nothing to show that he had been recently drinking, or any other.

P. O. Richard Brown put in a plan of the Commissariat Wharf.

John Flannigan, sworn, stated.—I am a private in the 74th Regiment. I have known the deceased about 12 years, and last saw him alive between half-past 8 and 9 o'clock; he was walking towards the Commissariat at the time. He had a parcel under his arm, and was walking rather smartly. He appeared to be quite sober.

Allen McLeod, sworn, stated.—I am a lance corporal in the 74th. I last saw the deceased alive at 6 o'clock of the 9th. He went into the Canteen and had a glass of porter, and I had a glass of beer. Deceased pulled out three paper dollars and one silver dollar at the time and laid them on the table. The drinks came to 16 cents.

Doctor Campbell said that there were only 26 cents found on the body.

James McConnell, sworn, stated.—I am private in the 74th. Deceased came into the barracks a little after 7 p.m. of the 9th, where he remained with me for about a quarter of an hour. He asked me down to the canteen, and I refused to go. At about 8 past 8 o'clock I went to the canteen by myself, and I saw deceased in the non-commissioned officers' room. He came to me and invited me into the non-commissioned officers' room. He said if I did not come I was no chum of his. I refused to go, and that was the last I saw of him.

By Sergeant Toomey.—Deceased was short-sighted and used to wear spectacles when reading. I did have a glass of porter with him, and he had one himself. I never heard that he was short-sighted except when reading.

The jury then proceeded to examine the spot where the body was found, and on their return the Coroner briefly reviewed the case; and the jury, having retired for a short time, returned a verdict that the deceased died from the injuries received but how he came by them there was no evidence to shew.

Another inquest was held at the Old Hospital on the body of a Chinaman named Chun Aman, who was killed by a landrail at Wanohi. The jury, comprising Messrs A. Hancock, L. Kitchmann and J. Kyle, returned a verdict of accidental death.

THE AMATEUR CONCERT.

It was manifest to those present in St. Andrew's Hall last night that all who failed to appear at the Concert in aid of the Glasgow Bank sufferers missed one of the greatest musical treats of the season. For the sake of the charitable object of the entertainment, it was a pity that there was not a fuller house. The Concert itself was of a very high class, and was most successfully carried through from the beginning to the end. Speaking first of the instrumental portion of the programme, it may be noted that, owing to the absence of the popular first violin, the music was confined to the piano, and therefore risked the possibility of a lack of variety. This was, however, cleverly avoided by the directors, by a judicious variation of the pieces played and the manner of their playing. The overtures (Nos. 1 and 6)—Beethoven's "Egmont" and Mendelssohn's "Ruy Blas"—were played on two grand pianos with eight hands, the dash, spirit and precision of the execution being the subject of general admiration. Of those who had the combined satisfaction to produce this pleasing impression upon a most discriminating audience, two were ladies, whose success is increased when it is borne in mind that their coadjutors of the sterner sex are probably the two most accomplished piano-players in the East. The other instrumental portions of the programme were divided between the hard-working gentlemen alluded to; and it may almost be conceded that Mr. Rennie and Dr. Clouth could command the attention of a music-loving audience for a long time almost unaided.

The graceful, vigorous touch of the latter, and the mastery facility and wonderful power exhibited by our Canton friend, especially when (as in Schumann's "Allegro Appassionato") they are presented jointly to the charmed ear, cannot fail to give satisfaction and pleasure of the highest kind. Mr. Rennie was encased in his "Rondo" (Weber), and, in response, he gambolled over the key-board, as he not unfrequently does, with most pleasing result, without troubling to refer to his music. The pleasure of a good musical entertainment is not so evanescent as many other kinds of amusement, and the pleasurable effect, especially of the soprano part, of last night's Concert will not easily be forgotten by those who were present to enjoy it. The lady amateur, whose voice is now but seldom heard in public except when worthy charitable objects are in need of help, but who has charmed the ears of Hongkong full many a time, sang in her very best style on this occasion, and with proportionate effect. In Pedrotti's cavatina "Florina," the elasticity, fullness, and freshness of her voice simply took possession of her audience's ears, although probably not more than half-a-dozen were present who had not listened to the sweetness of her voice over and over again on former occasions. She was as a matter of course, and good-naturedly gave a popular Italian song in response. The other piece which was sung by this sweet singer was "L'Estasi," a valse by Ardit, and it gave a most effective finish to a most successful concert! It is totally unnecessary to criticise here—it is more becoming and pleasant merely to enjoy this "concert of sweet sounds."

No. 2 ("To Anthea," by Eaton), was sung by a young gentleman who has a most pleasing voice, although he was not by any means in good voice last night. He was apparently afraid to sing out, but when he gets sufficient confidence to give his voice full play, he cannot fail to be an effective baritone singer. "Das Herz am Rhein" was as well sung as a fine "was voice" and a slight nervousness would justify, and the singer received a tribute of excellence by a hearty encore, upon which he sang another verse of the song in capital style. The entertainment, which was not too long, although it did not commence very untimely, was in every way a success, and, perhaps, as to its balance-sheet, but the credit to those who kindly took part in it is none the less.

Police Intelligence.

(Before J. J. Francis, Esq.)

Dec. 13, 1878.

ORRARA.

Lum Asai, a copple, was charged on remand with stealing two silver chairs. Leam Atai, complice, to Messrs W. Pustau & Co., declared, stated that he got from Pustau & Co's never belonged to Pustau & Co. The defendant had been employed at Pustau & Co's as a chair coolie but only temporarily. An Indian Watchman did die in a chair, but it was an ordinary arm chair. Sentenced to 28 days' hard labour for unlawful possession.

Benjamin Benland, cook British ship *Connaught Ranger*, was charged with assaulting the Chief Officer (Mr. Jesse Short) and threatening him with a knife. The disturbance, it appears, arose out of a dispute about some water. The Chief Officer had sent some men for hot water, and the defendant refused to give it to them. He told complainant he was not going to be a top-lolly-boy for every one in the ship. The Chief Officer promised to let the men carry cold water to the galley, but the defendant still refused to give him the water. Complainant then attempted to enter the galley in order to get the water himself, when the defendant rushed at him with a knife, sought him by the throat, and threatened to do for him, at the same time making use of very bad language. Complainant further stated that the defendant was a very bad-tempered man, that he had given great trouble during the passage, and in fact that two or three entries had been made in the official log having reference to his misconduct. The Captain had very good-naturedly looked over this, but such conduct as the defendant had been guilty of on the present occasion could not be tolerated. The 2nd mate and two seamen gave corroborative evidence, and the defendant, who denied the charge, was sent to two months' hard labour.

ARRIVAL OF THE FRENCH MAIL.

The M. M. Co.'s steamer *Sindh*, Captain Monge, from Marseilles with the London mail of the 1st November, arrived here last night.

TELEGRAPHIC SUMMARY.

(Straits Times Extra.)

Constantinople, Dec. 3.—The Russian Ambassador has informed the Grand Vizier that the Russians will hold Adrianople and Thrace until a departure treaty has been concluded.

Pesh, Nov. 15.—In a speech made by the President of the Hungarian Council of Ministers, he said that he hoped the Berlin Treaty will be punctually observed, otherwise Austria would not stand alone in an eventual struggle.

London, Nov. 16.—The *Morning Post* published a paragraph stating that the rectification of the North West Frontier of India will consist of a permanent occupation of Quetta and Jellalabad by the British, and an establishment of British Residents at Cabul, Candahar, and Herat. The 42nd Regiment, now at Cyprus, has been ordered to Gibraltar. The despatch of extra batteries of Artillery to India, which had been ordered, has been postponed indefinitely. Major-General Willey has been appointed Commander of the forces in Ceylon. Lord Salisbury, replying to Mr. Ewart respecting the Halifax Fishery Award, promised to take into consideration his representation on the subject of the Fisheries, and admits that Colonial legislation cannot override the American rights laid down in the Treaty of Washington.

Constantinople, Nov. 16.—The Grand Council advise the Sultan to come to an amicable arrangement with Greece before the offer of the Great Powers to mediate is accepted. The assent of the Sultan is considered certain.

Rome, Nov. 17.—King Humbert on entering Naples to-day was stabbed by an assassin and slightly wounded. The President of the Italian Ministry joined the assassin, but was wounded in the thigh. The assassin was eventually arrested. The exact motive of the assassin is not yet known.

St. Petersburg, Nov. 17.—The Russian press has been invited to moderate its attacks on the Powers, because it is contrary to Imperial Policy.

London, Nov. 20.—The Earl of Beaconsfield, in reply to representations made by Lord Lawrence, has declined to receive a deputation from the committee formed to obtain an expression of public opinion in favour of the immediate opening of Parliament, and declares that in case of war being declared Government will make such communication to Parliament as the letter and spirit of their acts and despatches seem to require.

The publication of the papers will be made before the 30th of November.

London, Nov. 21.—No reply having been received from the Ameer to the Viceroy's ultimatum, at a Cabinet Council held yesterday it was decided to order the advance of the British troops into Afghanistan.

A long despatch from the Secretary of State for India, dated November 18th, and recapitulating the negotiations with the Ameer since 1855, states that the Viceroy on assuming office was instructed to offer the Ameer substantial subsidies, recognizing his dynasty, and pledging material support against unprovoked aggression, but demanding on the other hand the admission of British Agents at certain points except at Cabul.

Bombay, Nov. 21.—A special telegram dated Thul, November 20, 1878, states that Fort Kopin has just been occupied by our own troops. No resistance was offered by the enemy, who retired hurriedly at twelve last night. The Government announce that orders have been issued to the troops to cross the Frontier at all points this morning.

London, Nov. 22.—The Halifax Fishery Award, which President Hayes ordered to be paid on the 28th, but over which considerable correspondence between the English and American Governments have passed, has been paid by the latter under protest.

London, Nov. 22.—The Cabinet has decided to summon Parliament for an extraordinary session in December, on account of the war with Afghanistan.

right to occupy Rhotos hill, above Ali Masjid, and out off the retreat of the garrison. The difficulties of the road are great, and delayed the advance. General Browne occupied Shajal ridge without opposition, and found the Amir's troops strongly posted at Ali Masjid. He shelled Ali Masjid, and extended some troops to engage the enemy's attention, and so hold him, but delayed the attack, awaiting the arrival of the other columns at their assigned positions.

London, Nov. 23.—Parliament is summoned to meet for an extraordinary session on December 5th. Mr. Gladstone has published a letter asserting that the British Government has broken down and broken under foot the Act of 1858. The *Times* warmly approves the declaration of the Viceroy with respect to Afghan independence. Consols closed at 97.

Vienna, Nov. 23.—The Chancellor of the Austro-Hungarian Empire, in replying to the interpellation of the Russian Government, disavowed the declaration by the Russian Ambassador, that the troops are only bound to evacuate Turkish territory three months after the definitive treaty was concluded, and gave assurances that Austria intends faithful fulfilment of the Berlin Treaty, in accordance with the other Powers.

Madras, Nov. 24.—General Sir Sam. Browne's division arrived at Ali Masjid on the 21st. A severe artillery fight took place from 12 noon until 4 in the afternoon. Our forty pounders silenced the Afghan guns, which were well served. One brigade of infantry under Colonel Appleyard, then advanced and got close to Ali Masjid. Our troops bivouacked before Ali Masjid during the night. Ali Masjid was subsequently evacuated by the enemy, and was occupied by our troops the next morning. Ten guns and many tents and mules were captured. Major Birch and Lieutenant Fitzgerald were killed; Captain Maclean was wounded; and thirty or forty men were killed or wounded. Two detached brigades cut off the garrison's retreat, capturing many. There was a forced march on Saturday, the Landi Khana Quetta's force marching on Pishin, where no opposition is expected. The Afereids are doing good service.

London, Nov. 25.—The European press generally and the London papers approve of the promptitude shown in the British advance into Afghanistan, and express sympathy with the successes achieved. The *Times* points out in a leading article that Afghan independence need not include retaining the present Ameer.

London, Nov. 26.—Lord Northbrook has written a letter to Lord Cranbrook, in which he declares that the published account of the negotiations of 1873 with the Ameer is incomplete, and moves for the production of further papers. Lord Cranbrook in replying says the account must necessarily be brief, but hopes Lord Northbrook will be satisfied that nothing was withheld that could be fairly said.

London, Nov. 26.—The Liberal party leaders have held a meeting to discuss that portion of the Secretary of State for India's despatch which endeavours to fasten the responsibility of the Afghan war upon a former Government inaccurate and incomplete. The Roumanian Government having positively refused to accept the Dobruddah upon any other terms than those of the Berlin Treaty, Russia ultimately yielded and the Roumanian troops enter to-day.

Bombay, Nov. 26.—Dakka was occupied without opposition on the 23rd inst., the Mohmuds having plundered it before our arrival. The Khan of Lalpore came and offered his respects. The headmen at the Khurd and Khyber villages offered their services, and the Government say that the inhabitants everywhere are most friendly. Sir Sam Browne's forces are now pressing straight to Jellalabad, where no resistance is expected. It is stated that Yakub Khan has been released by the Ameer. The prisoners and guns captured at Ali Masjid have arrived at Peshawar. The Maharajah of Cashmere has offered to supply a contingent. It is expected that General Roberts occupied Koorum fort yesterday.

Madras, Nov. 26.—There is a paucity of news from the frontier. Later reports from Ali Masjid state that the number of guns captured was 22. Most of the Ameer's Army at Kyber were made prisoners. Our killed number 14 and the wounded 39. Colonel Biddulph entered Pishin to-day.

London, Nov. 27.—The *Daily News*, in an article on the meeting of the Liberal party leaders, supports the resolution come to and denies that it is too strong. The Afghan official correspondence will be published to-morrow.

The 74th Highlanders, now at Hongkong, are ordered to the Cape. Sir Thomas Wade proceeds to Lahore to discuss with the Viceroy the clauses of the Cheloo convention that especially refer to India. The Hamburg American steamer *Pomerania*, has had a collision with another vessel off Folkestone. She sank, and fifty persons were drowned. Consols 96½.

Madras, Nov. 27.—Dakka was occupied on Friday unopposed. It was previously plundered by Mohmuds. The chief tendered his friendship. Supplies are coming in abundantly. Khurd Khacharoh has proffered his services. The Jallalabad villages refuse payment of revenue to Mirakhor who has fled. The inhabitants everywhere are most friendly. Many prisoners have been brought to Peshawar, all except the Officers will be dismissed to their homes. The native states are offering their services; some have been accepted. The Contingent's rendezvous will be at Mooltan.

NEWSPAPER ENTERPRISE.

A Home contemporary remarks:—A few days ago the *Standard* published a column and a half of Indian telegraphic news, which was no less remarkable for its evidence of journalistic enterprise than for the character of its information. What makes the achievement all the more noteworthy is the fact that the news was telegraphed on one of the busy working days of the Indo-European line. The proposition perhaps mystifies the reader a little. Let us explain. The *Times* Indian telegraphic column is, as every one must know, published on Monday and this, too, is justly regarded as a remarkable feat in the way of newspaper speculation. Expenditure of that sort would speedily make short work of a good, round fortune; but it must be borne in mind that the *Times* utilizes the cable during an off-day—that is Sunday—and, moreover, that the expense must be considerably reduced, in consequence of the existence of a regular contract between the journal and the Company. The *Standard's* important announcement, however, appeared on a Thursday (the 25th ultimo), and must have been charged for at the regular rate. It was also the first complete indication made to the English public of the

extent to which Shere Ali had responded to the Viceroy's overtures, with a series of studied insults. Lord Lytton first wrote to the Ameer in 1876. He had received no reply to this day. He wrote the second time in August, 1877, commenting upon the new relations between Cabul and Russia, and requesting His Highness to secure safe conduct of the English Mission about to proceed to his capital. No answer to that either. The Viceroy's last letter, of the 22nd August last, condeigned with Shere Ali upon the death of his heir apparent, Abdullah Jan; "Life and death are in the hands of God," wrote Lord Lytton, feelingly; but the reply of the Ameer failed to soften Shere Ali's heart, and the Viceroy's last epistle also remains unacknowledged. In a purely moral and non-political sense—the insult serves His Excellency right. No Viceroy has any business to go on writing letters to a rude barbarian who does not deign to reply.

MALARIAL POISONING.—According to Prof. Loomis the effects of malarial poisoning are manifested in a surprising variety of forms and symptoms; so numerous and various, in fact, that they cannot be tabulated. They embrace enlargement of the spleen, neuralgia of different forms, that may or may not be periodical; dyspeptic troubles which cannot be relieved by dyspeptic remedies; headaches, that are often treated as cerebral diseases; confusion of mind; staggering gait; loss of power in portions of the body; impairment of mental faculties; inability to do work of any kind; not sick enough to go to bed, but too ill and habitually too tired to perform anything that requires the least exertion; shortness of breath; rapid, weak, irregular pulse; sleepless nights, etc. The first step toward cure is removal from the malarial locality; then only may the proper medicines be expected to prove beneficial. The infection appears to be far more widely spread than is commonly supposed.

Quotations.

HONGKONG, December 13, 1878.

OPIMUM.—New Patna, cash, \$560 credit, —
" Old Patna, cash, 552½ credit, —
" New Benares, cash, 530 credit, —
" Old Benares, cash, 520 credit, —
" New Malwa, cash, 750 credit, —
" Allowance Tael, 52 credit, —
" Old Malwa, cash, 750 credit, —
" Allowance Tael, 52 credit, —

Exchange.

Bank, on demand, 3/4
" 30 days' sight, 3/4
" 6 months' sight, 3/4
Credits, 3/4
Documentary, 6 months' sight, 3/4
Bombay, demand Rupees, 221
Calcutta, 221
Shanghai, demand, 72½
" 80 days, 72½
Bar Silver, 17 dwt. B., 110 nom.
Sycee, 109
Mexican, 2 ½ %
Gold Loan, 99½ fine, 27.70
English Sovereigns, 5.55
Australian Sovereigns, 5.55

Shares.

Hongkong Bank, 62½ prem.
Union Ins. Society of Canton, \$1,800
China Traders' Ins. Co., \$1,500
Yankee Ins. Assoc., Tls. 725
Chinese Insurance Co., \$330
North China Ins. Co., Tls. 1,250
H.K. Fire Ins. Co., \$205
China Fire Ins. Co., \$205
H.K. & W. Dock Co., \$8 prem.
H.K. & M. S. Boat Co., \$3 prem.
Shanghai Steam Navigation, Tls. 17
China Coast St. Nav. Co., Tls. 102
Hongkong Gas Co., \$95
Hongkong Hotel Co., \$53
China Sugar Refining Co., 45
Chinese Imperial Loan, £109
Do. of 1877, £108

Temperature.

(Taken at Messrs Falconer & Co.'s Premises, Queen's Road.)

HONGKONG, December 13, 1878.
BAROMETER—9 A.M. 30.084
Do. 1 P.M. 30.024
Do. 4 P.M. 30.032
THERMOMETER—3 A.M. 71
Do. 1 P.M. 72
Do. 4 P.M. 71
Do. (Wet bulb) 6 P.M. 68
Do. Do. 1 P.M. 68
Do. Do. 4 P.M. 68
Do. Maximum 72
Do. Minimum over night 69

Shipping Intelligence.

The following are corrected from the latest London and Colonial Papers, &c.—

VESSELS TO ARRIVE.

AT HONGKONG.

When left.	Name.	From.
Mar.		
28, Oracle,	Liverpool	
30, Bristolian (s.),	Antwerp	
June		
28, Underwriter,	Fortress Monroe	
July		
16, Ambu Bow,	Newcastle (s.s.w.)	
16, Lorimer,	Newcastle (s.s.w.)	
18, Sydneyham,	London	
21, Slat,	Antwerp	
27, Pilgrim,	Cardiff	

Halls.



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Hongkong, December 6, 1878. de21

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Freight will be received on Board until
4 p.m. of the 30th December. PARCEL
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For further information as to Freight
or Passage, apply to the Agency of the
Company, No. 37, Queen's Road Central.
G. B. EMERY, Agent.
Hongkong, December 6, 1878. de21

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned being about to Close
his Firm at Swatow, hereby notifies
that all DEBTS and CLAIMS due to or
by him, he will Collect and Pay.
The Interest and Good will of his Business
has been transferred to Messrs DOUGLAS
LAPRAIK & Co.

E. VINCENT.
Hongkong, November 30, 1878.

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given, that Messrs
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co. have
this Day Established a BRANCH of their
Firm at Swatow, and have authorized
Mr G. D. PYRAM to Sign per Procuration.
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.
Hongkong, November 30, 1878.

NOTICE.

I HAVE this Day established myself as
a GENERAL and SHARE BROKER.
CARL DENEKE.
Office, Bank Buildings,
Hongkong, December 3, 1878.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

HONGKONG AGENCY.

FROM this Date until further notice,
Mr L. HENNEQUIN will assume
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H. DE POUY,
Agent.
Hongkong, November 1, 1878.

NOTICE.

MR. JAMES LIDDERDALE SCOTT
is authorized to Sign our Firm
"per Procuration."
BIRLEY, WORTHINGTON & Co.
Shanghai, December 2, 1878. de14

NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of the
Undersigned in the Chinese Mail,
華字日報 (Wah Tse Yat Po),
ceased from the 1st August, 1877, but
debts prior to that Date will be received
and paid by him.

CHON AYIN.
Hongkong, April 6, 1878.

NOTICE.

IN Reference to the above, the Under-
signed has Leased the Chinese Mail
from the 1st August, 1877, and has engaged
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as Translator and General Manager of the
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To facilitate finding the position of any vessel in the Harbour, the Anchorage is divided into eight Sections, commencing at
Green Island. Vessels near the Hongkong shore are marked A., near the Kowloon shore K., and those in the body of the
Shipping or midway between each shore are marked C., in conjunction with the figures denoting the sections.

Section.
1. From Green Island to the Gas Works.
2. From Gas Works to the Novelty Iron Works.
3. From Novelty Iron Works to the Harbour Master's Office.
4. From Harbour Master's Office to the P. and O. Co.'s Office.
5. From P. and O. Co.'s Office to Peddar's Wharf.
6. From Peddar's Wharf to the Naval Yard.
7. From Naval Yard to the Pier.
8. From Pier to East Point.

Vessel's Name.	Anchor- age.	Captain.	Flag and Reg.	Tons.	Date of Arrival.	Consignees or Agents.	Destination.	Remarks.
Steamers								
Ageman	5 c	Stewart	Brit. str.	843	Dec. 13	Linstead & Co.	Shanghai	To-day
Amoy	4 c	Drewes	Brit. str.	814	Dec. 12	Siemssen & Co.	S'pore, Calcutta, &c.	17th, 3 p.m.
Arratoon Apar	5 c	Macintosh	Brit. str.	1392	Dec. 7	David Sassoon, Sons & Co.	Swatow	Ab'deen Dock
Asia	5 c	Djorup	Dan. str.	880	Dec. 4	Siemssen & Co.	Hohow & Haiphong	15th inst.
Atalanta	2 b	Petersen	Ger. str.	783	Dec. 9	Meyer & Co.	Yokohama	Cos'tan Dock
Bombay	4 c	Prosser	Brit. str.	749	Feb. 12	K'wok Acheong	Malta	15th inst.
China	5 c	Alderton	Brit. str.	1036	Dec. 2	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Ab'deen Dock	Malta
Clive	2 b	Prowse	Brit. str.	810	Dec. 8	Horneo Company, Limited	Singapore	Ab'deen Dock
Commonwealth	2 b	Smith	Brit. str.	1401	Dec. 3	Meyer & Co.	Bangkok	Ab'deen Dock
Danube	2 b	Olanchy	Brit. str.	664	Dec. 8	Yuen Fat Hong	Manila	To-morrow
Emmerald	6 b	Cullen	Brit. str.	305	Dec. 12	Russell & Co.	Manila	Tug Flying
Fame	6 b	Stapan	Brit. str.	117	Dec. 12	H. K. & W'nos Dock Co.	Manila	To-day
Glenlyon	6 b	Wallace	Brit. str.	1373	Dec. 11	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Shanghai	To-day
Hakon Adeltan	6 c	Bergh	Norw. str.	1064	Nov. 28	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	S'pore and Penang	To-day
Lee Yuen	4 b	Thadde	Chi. str.	734	Dec. 13	O. M. S. N. Co.	Shanghai	To-day
Moray	6 b	Butcher	Brit. str.	1427	Dec. 6	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	S'pore, Calcutta, &c.	17th, 8 p.m.
Namoa	6 b	Westoby	Brit. str.	862	Dec. 12	Douglas Lapralak & Co.	Coast Ports	15th, daylight
Noma	3 b	Wang	Brit. str.	606	June 28	K'wok Acheong	Salgon	10th inst.
Pernambuco	4 c	Hyde	Brit. str.	643	Dec. 10	Melchers & Co.	Salgon	10th inst.
Quinta	5 c	Wang	Ger. str.	874	Dec. 6	Shoy Shing	Salgon	10th inst.
Sea Gull	1 c	Roberts	Amer. str.	46	July 18	W. H. Ray	Shanghai	To-morrow
Sindh	5 c	Monge	Foh. str.	2103	Dec. 12	Messageries Maritimes	Australian Ports	To-morrow
Somerset	4 c	Pockley	Brit. str.	1100	Dec. 11	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	Yokohama	To-day
Tanais	5 c	Marcelle	Foh. str.	1735	Dec. 9	Messageries Maritimes	Swatow	To-day
Yothung	2 b	Goggin	Brit. str.	286	Dec. 12	K'wok Acheong	Swatow	To-day
Zamboanga	4 c	Arranguren	Span. str.	615	Dec. 12	Remedios & Co.	Swatow	To-day
Sailing Vessels								
Aima	7 c	Ohlsson	Swed. bge.	382	Nov. 20	Meyer & Co.	London	
Alva	2 c	Souza	Port. sh.	631	Nov. 8	Brandao & Co.	Bombay	Ab'deen Dock
Amey Turner	2 b	Newell	Amer. bge.	981	Nov. 10	Russell & Co.	New York	
Annie S. Hall	5 c	Nelson	Amer. bge.	465	Nov. 29	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.		
Arctide	3 c	Kahay	Fr. bge.	398	Nov. 29	Hagedorn & Co.		
Black Watch	1 b	Kennell	Brit. bge.	898	Nov. 28	Carlowitz & Co.		
Boma	3 c	Long	Ger. bge.	898	Nov. 28	Carlowitz & Co.	Batavia & Samarang	
Bua Chao	1 b	Lang	Slam. bge.	888	Nov. 20	Ohlsson		
Capella	2 c	Anderson	Swed. bge.	807	Dec. 8	Carlowitz & Co.		
Canaryvashire	6 c	Fishwick	Brit. bge.	388	Nov. 13	Gibb, Livingston & Co.		
Charis	2 c	Gautiers	Foh. bge.	256	Nov. 22	Carlowitz & Co.		
Chengtoo	1 c	Bakie	Brit. Sm. sc.	304	Nov. 14	Borneo Co., Limited		
Chocula	4 c	Kennett	Brit. bge.	284	Oct. 8	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	Honolulu	
Christina	3 c	Capra	Nic. Sm. sc.	173	Dec. 2	J. J. dos Remedios & Co.		
Cingalee	1 c	Coutier	Brit. bge.	836	Dec. 12	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Civiale	4 c	Nissen	Ger. bge.	380	Nov. 20	Siemssen & Co.		
Coeran	8 b	Hall	Amer. sch.	188	July 18	W. H. Ray		
Coloma	4 c	Hall	Amer. bge.	868	Nov. 18	Russell & Co.		
Commissary	7 b	Morison	Brit. sh.	900	Oct. 28	Meyer & Co.	London	
Condor	2 c	Steffens	Ger. bge.	368	Nov. 22	Siemssen & Co.		
Connaught Ranger	7 c	Murphy	Brit. sh.	1163	Dec. 8	Melchers & Co.	Shanghai	
Cordouan	2 c	Berklaud	Foh. bge.	459	Nov. 10	Carlowitz & Co.		
Craig Ard.	7 c	Hawkins	Brit. b	811	Nov. 20	Ohlsson & Co.	Rangoon	
Crusader	7 c	Ingram	Amer. bge.	669	Nov. 20	Olyphant & Co.	Calcutta	
Dartmouth	7 b	Robertson	Brit. bge.	915	Nov. 27	Butterfield & Swire	Dematras	
Delphin	3 c	Killichal	Ger. Sm. sc.	298	Nov. 19	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	Quinhon	
Dora	4 c	Staples	Amer. bge.	884	Sept. 14	Wielor & Co.	Hamburg	
Dorcas	4 c	King	Amer. sh.	1128	Sept. 24	Caplain		
Earl of Devon	2 c	Beer	Brit. bge.	441	Nov. 18	Edward Schellhaas & Co.	Rangoon	
Elizabeth Childs	4 c	Lindbergh	Brit. bge.	391	Nov. 8	Wielor & Co.		
Elizabeth Nicholson	4 c	Grierson	Brit. sh.	904	Oct. 17	Borneo Co., Limited		
Emilio V.	4 c	Morrell	Ital. bge.	724	Nov. 30	D. Musso & Co.	Nagasaki	Sands' Ship
Esperance	4 c	Gullion	Foh. bge.	273	Dec. 2	Carlowitz & Co.		
Fanny	4 c	Gougon	Foh. bge.	314	Nov. 9	Landstam & Co.		
Firth of Forth	4 c	Cowper	Brit. bge.	880	Nov. 12	Edward Schellhaas & Co.	Rangoon	
Fleeting	4 c	Guest	Amer. sh.	829	Oct. 17	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	New York	
Fleisberg	4 c	Jacobson	Dan. bge.	365	Nov. 23	Edward Schellhaas & Co.		Ab'deen Dock
Florence Nightingale	4 c	McIntyre	Brit. bge.	464	Dec. 9	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.		
Fontenay	4 c	Taylor	Brit. bge.	653	Oct. 20	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.		
Franklin	4 c	Bruneau	Foh. bge.	553	Nov. 23	Carlowitz & Co.	Salgon	Cleared
Friedrich	3 c	Bertelsen	Ger. Sm. sc.	293	Nov. 24	Wielor & Co.		
Gedine Brons	4 c	Trumbach	Ger. bge.	402	Oct. 21	Wm. Fustau & Co.		Cos'tan Dock
Hall Columbia	4 c	Breton	Amer. sch.	369	Nov. 23	Edward Schellhaas & Co.	Bangkok	
Hamburg	4 c	Kroge	Ger. bge.	349	Nov. 28	Edward Schellhaas & Co.	Touron	
Hansa	3 b	Deneken	Ger. bge.	468	Nov. 12	Wielor & Co.		Cos'tan Dock
Hattie M. Bangs	4 c	Bangs	Amer. Sm. sc.	586	Dec. 2	Wielor & Co.		
Helene	3 c	Meard	Brit. bge.	372	Nov. 28	Wielor & Co.		
Helen	4 c	Volgundsen	Ger. bge.	372	Nov. 28	Wielor & Co.		
Hermine	4 c	Meyer	Ger. bge.	850	Nov. 30	Chinese	Quinhon	Cleared
Highlander	4 c	Hutchinson	Amer. sh.	1362	June 19	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.		
Hilda	2 c	Popp	Brit. bge.	306	Nov. 24	Chinese	Nagasaki	Cleared
Holstein	4 c	Kulper	Ger. Sm. sc.	281	Nov. 10	Edward Schellhaas & Co.		
Hotepon	4 c	Shaw	Brit. bge.	629	Sept. 3	Rozario & Co.	M'bonne & Dunedin	
Hyton Castle	4 c	Scott	Brit. bge.	548	Nov. 23	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	Touron	
Irvinville	8 c	Strickland	Amer. sh.	1460	Dec. 6	Meyer & Co.		
J. H. Ingersoll	7 c	Daw	Amer. bge.	609	Nov. 24	Butterfield & Swire	Singapore	
Janet	2 c	Hentrey	Brit. Sm. sc.	211	Nov. 22	Wielor & Co.	Nagasaki	K'loon Dock
Johann Friedrich	3 c	Krinke	Ger. bge.	242	Nov. 24	Wielor & Co.		
Johann Smidt	3 c	Bosche	Ger. bge.	433	Nov. 7	Melchers & Co.		
John Potts	4 c	McPherson	Brit. bge.	374	Nov. 29	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.		
Lucania	7 c	Mearns	Brit. sh.	896	Sept. 19	Adams, Bell & Co.		
Louisa	3 b	Shierloh	Ger. Sm. sc.	246	Oct. 17	Edward Schellhaas & Co.	Haiphong	
Lulu	3 b	Maher	Brit. Sm. sc.	374	Nov. 20	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Footchow	K'loon Dock
Manilla II.	3 c	Gonner	Ger. bge.	511	Nov. 29	Wm. Fustau & Co.		
Marco Polo	4 c	Broekwoldt	Ger. bge.	358	Nov. 29	Wielor & Co.		
Marie Louise	7 c	Dawson	Brit. bge.	426	Dec. 2	Carlowitz & Co.		
Matchless	6 b	Dawson	Amer. sh.	1165	Nov. 10	Meyer & Co.		
Matlock	6 b	Piorce	Brit. bge.	870	Nov. 2	Meyer & Co.	Manila	Cleared
Melrose	4 c	Plumer	Amer. sh.	984	Sept. 16	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	New York	
Mercury	4 c	Thomas	Brit. Sm. sc.	861	Dec. 1	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	London	
Ming-don	7 c	Leale	Brit. sh.	1108	Sept. 8	Russell & Co.	San Francisco	
Moneta	7 b	Blaset	Brit. bge.	621	Aug. 1	Russell & Co.	New York	
Morning Star	1 b	Michaelsen	Slam. bge.	570	Dec. 10	Chinese		
Napier	4 c	Bryde	Brit. bge.	1200	Nov. 10	Messageries Maritimes		Sands' Ship
Nardoo	2 c	Paul	Brit. bge.	379	Nov. 16	Cheong Woo		
Niagara	8 c	Paulsen	Ger. bge.	691	Oct. 11	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	San Francisco	
Nicolaus	3 c	Stibben	Ger. sch.	157	Oct. 10	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.		K'loon Dock
Paralos	2 c	Pasco	Foh. bge.	342	Nov. 28	Carlowitz & Co.		
Phaeton	5 b	Scheel	Brit. bge.	576	Dec. 11	Chinese		
Rosetta McNeil	4 c	Brown	Amer. bge.	611	Dec. 10	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.		
S. R. Pearce	8 c	Oakes	Amer. bge.	607	Dec. 10	Russell & Co.	New York	
Sophie	4 c	Binge	Ger. bge.	210	Nov. 20	Wielor & Co.	Touron	
Spartan	1 b	Vincent	Amer. sch.	100	Sept. 23	W. H. Ray		
Sir. Adresse	2 c	Lenoy	Foh. bge.	390	Nov. 24	Carlowitz & Co.		
Sunstar	3 c	Clough	Amer. sh.	1090	Sept. 8	Russell & Co.		
Taiwan	3 c	Jones	Ger. bge.	873	Nov. 22	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	Amoy	
Tartar	4 c	Kaemena	Ger. bge.	266	Oct. 31	Melchers & Co.		
The Goodwin	8 c	Portkellon	Brit. bge.	717	Nov. 7	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Rangoon	
Theresa & Nelly	1 b	Garrett	Foh. bge.	358	Nov. 15	Carlowitz & Co.		
Verona	3 b	Sachau	Ger. bge.	498	Oct. 11	Wielor & Co.	Singapore	
Verona	3 b	Bartlett	Brit. bge.	668	Oct. 24	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.		
Vesta	4 c	Dicks	Ger. bge.	508	Oct. 2	Melchers & Co.		
CANTON								
Rugby	1 c	Cass	Brit. str.	761	Dec. 15	Siemssen & Co.	Shanghai	